# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*
## *Office of the Governor*

***Whereas***, Donald Dean Rounds was born August 1, 1927, in Iroquois, South Dakota, one of 11children of Marion and Mary (Engebos) Rounds; and,

***Whereas***, Don joined the South Dakota National Guard in 1948, served active duty in Alaska during the Korean War, and retired as a Major in 1982; and,

***Whereas***, Don is a graduate of Cavour High School and Huron College. He taught school and coached in Cavour, Kennebec, Yale and Hitchcock until he moved his family to Pierre in 1957 to be the State Highway Safety Director, a position he held until 1971. Don also worked for the South Dakota Rural Electric Association and was Executive Director of the South Dakota Petroleum Council until he retired in 1994. After retirement, he served for 10 years as Sergeant-at-Arms in the South Dakota State Senate and was active in the Republican Party; and,

***Whereas***, Don is a member of Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus, was a CCD teacher, was active in the Pierre/Ft. Pierre Exchange Club, Pierre Elks Lodge, Rawlins Library Board of Directors, the South Dakota Water Management Board, Countryside Hospice Board of Directors, and a volunteer for Meals on Wheels; and,

***Whereas***, Don married Joyce Reinartz on May 9, 1953, at St. Martin's Church in Huron, South Dakota, and to this union, ten sons and one daughter were born: Mike, Michele, Dennis, Doug, Tim, Dan, Tom, Pat, Steve, Scott, and Jamie, all of whom received at least one degree from a South Dakota college; and,

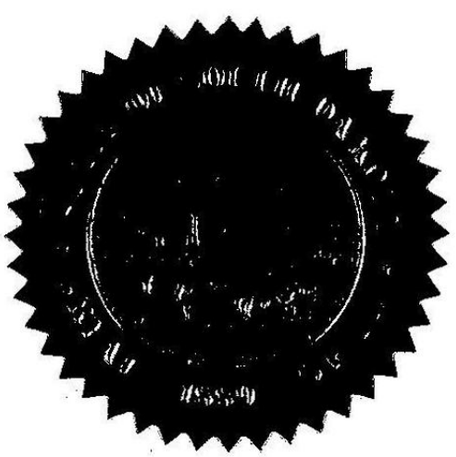
***Whereas***, Don and Joyce shared 34 happy years together until Joyce passed away in 1987. Don married Rosemary Scarborough on August 4, 1988, at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Pierre, South Dakota, uniting two families, including the children of Rosemary and the late Marlin Scarborough: Michelle, Marc, and Ryan. Together, Don and Rosemary have 14 children, 36 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren, most of whom will be present to celebrate Don's 90th birthday and his life as a wonderful and loving husband, father, stepfather, grandpa, great-grandpa, friend, and mentor; and,

***Whereas***, Don will observe his 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his family and friends gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

***Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 1, 2017, as

## *DON ROUNDS DAY*

in South Dakota.



***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

**Attest:**

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State